

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0015], page 9, line 2 as shown below.

In view of the above, it is generally more difficult to uniformly control ~~of~~ the FLC material exhibiting the bistable than to uniformly control ~~of~~ the FLC material exhibiting the monostable state.

Please amend paragraph [0035], page 15, as shown below.

In one aspect of the present invention, the FLC material may be initially aligned ~~it~~in the presence of the applied electric field while being cooled below a phase transformation temperature, wherein the phase of the cooled FLC material transforms from a nematic phase to a smectic C phase (Sm C*).